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SUBJECT: ENERGY: TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR ECG ACTIVITIES
UNDER AEGIS OF OECD'S HIGH LEVEL OIL GROUP (HLG)

1. FOLLOWING ARE AGREED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THREE RESTRICTED
WORKING GROUPS ESTABLISHED BY OECD'S HLG AND AGREED TO BY OIL
COMMITTEE ON MARCH 12. THESE TERMS OF REFERENCE COVER ACTIVITIES
1-3 OF THE ENERGY COORDINATING GROUP AND ARE REVISIONS OF
ECG/2-4, THOUGH THERE IS NO FORMAL CONNECTION BETWEEN THE
GROUPS AND THE ECG.

BEGIN TEXT TERMS OF REFERENCE

FOR CONSERVING ENERGY AND RESTRAINING DEMAND

THE POTENTIAL FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION TO CONSERVE
ENERGY AND RESTRAIN DEMAND SHOULD BE EXAMINED WITH A VIEW
TO RELIEVING PRESSURE ON THE WORLD SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION
FOR ENERGY.

SUCH AN EXAMINATION SHOULD:

- REVIEW AND EXCHANGE NATIONAL EXPERIENCES THUS
FAR WITH CONSERVATION MEASURES THAT IMPROVE EFFICIENCY OF ENERGY
USE AND WITH MEASURES THAT RESTRAIN DEMAND ARTIFICIALLY AND
ATTEMPT TO QUANTIFY THE RESULTS OF BOTH EFFORTS, WITHOUT
DAMAGING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ECONOMY;
- FORMULATE PROPOSALS FOR ENCOURAGING INTERNATIONAL
EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON ESTABLISHED ENERGY SAVING TECHNIQUES;
- IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL MEASURES FOR BOTH IMPROVED
EFFICIENCY AND DEMAND RESTRAINT WHICH COULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT
EFFECT ON ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND COULD BE IMPLEMENTED WITHIN
A REASONABLY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, ON THE ORDER OF 18 MONTHS;
AND ESTIMATE THE IMPACT OF DIFFERENT MEASURES ON ENERGY DEMAND;

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A DEVELOP OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS BY WHICH THESE MEASURES
COULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, TAKING INTO
CONSIDERATION DIFFERING CONDITIONS IN EACH COUNTRY, INCLUDING
DIFFERING LEGAL AND JURISDICTIONAL REQUIREMENTS;

- DEVELOP INsofar AS PRACTICABLE CRITERIA FOR MEASURING
RELATIVE PROGRESS IN NATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR PROMOTING CONSERVA-
TION THROUGH IMPROVED EFFICIENCY;
- DEVELOP INsofar AS PRACTICABLE CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING

THE RELATIVE EFFORTS AND SACRIFICE INVOLVED IN NATIONAL PROGRAMS
OF DEMAND RESTRAINT;

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AND DEMAND RESTRAINT, WITH APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP METHODS,
CONSISTENT WITH AN ACTIVE WORLD ECONOMY.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES

ONE OF THE GOALS OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION SHOULD BE
THE ACCELERATION OF DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL ENERGY
SOURCES SO AS TO DIVERSIFY ENERGY SUPPLIES. IN ORDER TO EXPAND
SUPPLY IN THE SHORT RUN, THIS EFFORT MUST FOCUS ON THE EXPLORA-
TION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH RESOURCES AS COAL, SHALE, NATURAL
GAS, AND OIL IN THE CONTINENTAL SHELVES WHICH CAN BE MADE
AVAILABLE THROUGH EXISTING TECHNOLOGY BUT HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED
IN THE PERIOD OF LOW-COST OIL.

THE MAJOR THRUST OF INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS SHOULD
BE TO DEVISE POLICIES BY WHICH EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF
CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES WOULD BE ENCOURAGED AND
FACILITATED, IN ORDER TO MEET THE GROWTH OF WORLD DEMAND.

WITH THESE GOALS IN MIND, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD BE
INCLUDED IN A WORK PROGRAM UNDER THIS TOPIC:

- EACH COUNTRY SHOULD SURVEY THE POSSIBILITIES FOR
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT WHICH MIGHT BE EXPECTED AT DIFFERENT
PRICE RANGES AND TIME SCALES AND AN INTERNATIONAL REPORT
ON THE EXISTING ACTIVITIES AND POSSIBILITIES FOR ACCELERATED
DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE PREPARED, INCLUDING AN EXAMINATION OF
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS AND OTHER CONSTRAINTS;

- A MECHANISM SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED FOR PERIODIC
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EXAMINATION OF POLICIES AND PRACTICES AFFECTING THE DEVELOPMENT
OF ADDITIONAL CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES, INCLUDING SUCH
SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES AS INSURANCE OF INVESTMENTS AGAINST THE
RISK OF PRICE REDUCTIONS FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SOURCES.

THE EXAMINATION OF EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD SHOULD RESULT
IN RECOMMENDATIONS ON OBJECTIVES AND MEANS FOR A CO-OPERATIVE
PROGRAM OF ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF CONVENTIONAL ENERGY
RESOURCES, ESPECIALLY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS WITH
HIGH COST AND REQUIRING THE DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF
NEW TECHNOLOGIES. INTERNATIONAL CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN
TO WHETHER THERE IS SCOPE AND NEED FOR A MUTUAL FINANCIAL
EFFORT TO ACCELERATE THE DESIRED DEVELOPMENT OF CONVENTIONAL
ENERGY RESOURCES.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

OIL SHARING IN TIMES OF EMERGENCY

AND SEVERE SHORTAGES

A DRAFT REPORT ON THE O.E. C.D. WIDE APPORTIONMENT SCHEME HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND WAS TABLED IN LATE 1973 FOR DISCUSSION BY THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP AND THE OIL COMMITTEE. DISCUSSION OF A POSSIBLE OIL SHARING AGREEMENT, IN WHICH OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-O.E.C.D. COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE WOULD BE PROVIDED, SHOULD CONTINUE IN THE O.E.C.D. HIGH LEVEL GROUP AS A MATTER OF URGENCY. THE OPTIONS FOR POLICY DECISIONS SHOULD BE NARROWED IN PARTICULAR WITH RESPECT TO:

- A SHARING FORMULA
 - CLEAR AND OBJECTIVE CRITERIA TO DETERMINE WHEN A SUPPLY SHORTAGE EXISTS
 - A RELIABLE MECHANISM TO IMPLEMENT AND TERMINATE THE SHARING ARRANGEMENT. END TEXT
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